

JASPER REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Minutes of the Meeting – August 5, 2014

The Jasper Redevelopment Commission met on Tuesday, August 5, 2014, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 610 Main Street. Notice was given in compliance with Indiana's Open Meeting Law.

CALL TO ORDER

President John Bell called the meeting to order at 8:02 a.m.

ROLL CALL

President John Bell	present
Vice President John Schroeder	present
Secretary John Kahle	present
Member Andrew Seger	present
Member Ray Howard	present
Non-voting advisor Bernie Vogler	absent

Also Present:

Renee Kabrick - Commission's Attorney

Kathy Pfister - Recording Secretary

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Andrew Seger made a motion to approve the Commission's minutes as presented from the July 8, 2014, Regular Meeting. Ray Howard seconded it. The motion carried 5 – 0.

TAX INCREMENT FINANCING (TIF) DISTRICT

Ed Curtain, of CWC Latitudes, came before the Redevelopment Commission to discuss the recent Open House pertaining to a TIF District in the City of Jasper. Ed told the Commission the Open House had 15-18 people come to ask questions and give input. Mr. Curtain then showed a power point presentation outlining the goals of the TIF, listing the proposed projects that would be included in the TIF, and showing recommendations for the TIF district. Ed explained these projects would not happen all at once, but over a 10 to 15 year time horizon and that the TIF funds would be under the discretion of the Redevelopment Commission who will be working with other City entities to further these projects. Commission's Attorney, Renee

Kabrick, suggested the maps of the allocated TIF district be put on the City website and board member Andy Seger suggested that a TIF “primer” be included on the website, as well. A proposed public meeting is set for the October Regular Meeting.

FIBER BUILD OUT

Commission’s Attorney, Renee Kabrick, pointed out that fiber build out for the city was on the list of Tax Increment Financing (TIF) projects. She shared with the Redevelopment Commission that the City is currently looking at options for a city-wide fiber build out. Four companies are being considered. Metronet is one of the companies under consideration. The business model used by Metronet uses TIF dollars and that is why the subject was being brought up at the Redevelopment Commission meeting. Attorney Kabrick and Mayor Seitz wanted to ensure the Commission was aware of this possible opportunity for the City’s first use of TIF funds.

ADJOURNMENT

With no more discussion at hand, a motion was made by Secretary John Kahle and seconded by Vice President Schroeder to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 5-0, and the meeting adjourned at 8:43 a.m.

John Bell, President

Attest:

John Kahle, Secretary